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THIS MAGAZINE IS A TREASURE TROVE FOR CORVAIR PEOPLE TO PASS ON TO ANOTHER GENERATION.

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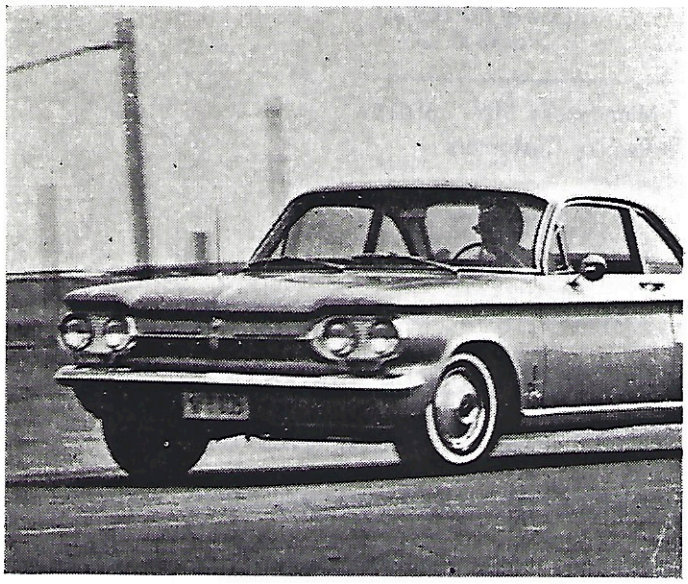

IN THE BEGINNING, the Corvair was an economy car, designed to produce maximum transportation at minimum cost and to be sold to a public which had been demanding smaller, more economical cars. But the public is fickle and by the time the Corvair began to appear in quantity, the public's demand had changed toward more luxurious vehicles. However, because of its handsome shape, its light weight and its nimbleness, the Corvair began to catch on with another group—not the economy buyers for whom the car had been intended, but the appreciative drivers seeking a car with just the Corvair's attributes. Overnight, the Monza was a sales success with the younger drivers. The Corvair completely assumed a sportive attitude with the introduction of a 4-speed transmission; later, the turbo-supercharged Spyder engine and suspension options added yet more savor. The car thus has become, in its brief existence, a classic American design. It is pleasing both to the esthetic eye and to the spirited soul. To the perennial improver of things mechanical, the Corvair is a challenge; few modern cars respond so well or so quickly to the touch of the informed tuner and few have such a wide variety of special equipment available. Herein we have presented a broad sampling of what's available for the Corvair, tuning and modifying techniques from authorities, and the design background of this pleasurable, unique vehicle.—*The Editor*

CORVAIR —a complete guide

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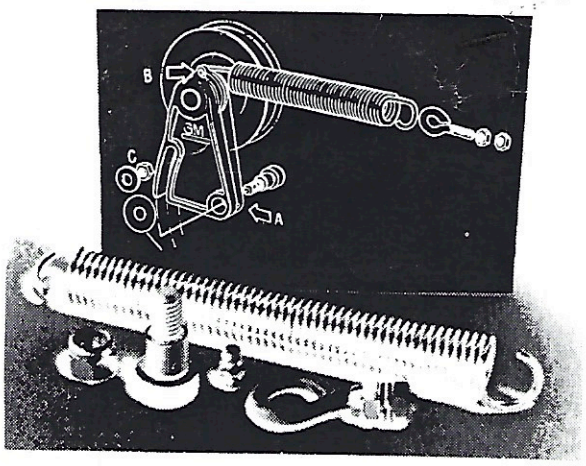
CORVAIR FAN BELT TENSIONER



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THESE LISTS ARE VERY TIME CONSUMING AND DIFFICULT TO PRODUCE, BELIEVE YOU ME! THUS FAR, THEY ARE ONLY A SMALL FRACTION OF MY STOCK AND ARE THE EFFECTS OF A LOT OF BUYING EFFORTS AND SCRAMBLING TO DIG UP THE DOUGH AS WELL AS HANDLING,SHIPPING AND INVESTMENT COSTS.

IN ORDER TO SWING THE DEALS,THE MONEY HAS TO BE UP FRONT IN CASH, AS WELL AS TAKING A LOT OF DOGS (slow moving parts) IN ORDER TO GET THE DESIREABLE FAST SELLING PARTS-WHICH RAISES MY COSTS ON THE GOOD STUFF!

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DON'T AGONIZE ABOUT PRICES OF YESTERYEARS-PRICES ARE GOING UP RAPIDLY AS YOU ALREADY KNOW! FINDING IT IS THE NAME OF THE GAME AND IF YOU CAN FIND IT, BUY IT TODAY BECAUSE TOMORROW MAY BE TOO LATE!

OVER THE PAST ELEVEN YEARS, I HAVE LOADED MY 5000 SQ. FT. WAREHOUSE WITH A TREMENDOUS STOCK OF MAINLY NOS PARTS AS WELL AS NORS PARTS WHICH IS WHY I AM DOING A GOOD BUSINESS TODAY. I OWN MY BUILDING, MACHINERY AND STOCK OUTRIGHT-IF I DIDN'T,THE RENT AND INTEREST COSTS WOULD BE PROHIBITIVE FOR THIS OPERATION.

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A LARGER LIST IS BEING PREPARED WHICH WILL BE SENT TO ALL WHO HAVE REMITTED $5.00 LIST CHARGE SOON, I HOPE. PLEASE BEAR WITH ME AS I HAVE UPS ORDERS TO FILL, LOCAL CUSTOMERS WHO STOP IN, PHONE CALLS TO ANSWER, MY DOGS TO FEED AND (OCCASIONAL BATHROOM CALLS AS WELL), IN BETWEEN WORKING ON THE LISTS.

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GM Part No.	GM Group	Year Use	Qty.	GM Description
899198	2.679	63	1	Lamp, Tail Stop Dir.Sig.-LH
899255	2.679	63	1	Lamp, Tail Stop Dir.Sig.-RH
899256	2.697	63	2	Lamp, Back Up
910626	2.679	65	2	Lamp, Tail Stop Dir.Sig.
911391	2.679	66-69	2	Lamp, Tail Stop Dir.Sig.
1108318	2.041	61-69	1	Motor, Starting (w/ switch)
1589536	9.761	60-64	1	Speedometer (exc. Turbo)
2978665	2.341	61-64	2	Cable, Elect. Ground
2979565	2.171	60-69	1	Wire, Ignition Coil
3151173	8.852	61-65	2	Knob, Heater Temp. Ctrl. (AirHeat)
3151175	8.852	61-65	2	Knob, Heater Def. Ctrl. (AirHeat)
3192093	7.345	60-64	2	Absorber, Rr. Shock
3779847	2.722	60-64	2	Gasket, Headlamp to Fender
3784583	1.303	61	1	Emblem, Frt. Grille Panel
3794193	5.017	60-64	2	Shoe Unit, Brake (Frt. or Rr.) NORMAL
3796457	7.800	62-64	1	Bezel, License Plate
3796742	5.858	62-63	4	Cap, Hub
3803890	4.081	60-65	3	Mount, Transmission
3814014	4.351	61-63	1	Gear, Transmission Main Drive
3814757	5.871	62-63	1	Ornament, Wheel Cover (Wire-Spin)
3814968	5.871	62-63	8	Emblem, Wheel Cover (Black Plastic)
3815062	8.147	62-63	2	Plate, Frt. Fender
3820245	5.858	62-63	2	Cover, Wheel
3821789	1.303	63	1	Plate, Frt. Grille Panel
3821903	2.728	61-64	1	Bezel, Headlamp-LH
3821904	2.728	61-64	2	Bezel, Headlamp-RH
3826063	1.303	63	1	Molding, Body Frt.
3827117	6.233	63-64	2	Socket, Tie Rod End (Long)
3829078	6.895	60-64	1	Arm, Steering Idler
3830094	5.809	63-64	1	Drum, Wheel Brake Frt.
3834772	1.266	63-64	1	Grille, Engine Air Outlet
3854805	6.232	60-69	2	Sleeve, Frt. Axle Tie Rod
3859830	5.529	65	1	Gear, Rr. Axle w/ Pinion 3.27
3865961	6.168	60-69	1	Arm, Steering Knuckle Upr.-LH
3865962	6.168	60-69	1	Arm, Steering Knuckle Upr.-RH
3869213	3.342	62-66	1	Seal Unit Turbocharger
3869227	3.348	65-66	1	Shaft, Turbocharger Turbine
3876619	1.266	65-69	3	Grille, Engine Air Outlet
3880707	0.269	66-69	2	Head Assy., Engine Cyl. (exc. 4/1BC)
4305027	10.688	60-64	5	Channel, Lwr. Frt. Glass Run
4305036	10.688	60-64	5	Channel, Upr. Frt. Glass Run
4359504	14.686	63-64	1	Armrest, Frt. Door (Red)
4400685	12.966	61-64	1	Panel Assy., Frt. End
4455324	10.694	65-69	2	W/strip, Frt. Door-RH
4455325	10.694	65-69	2	W/strip, Frt. Door-LH
4468518	10.694	65-69	2	W/strip, W/S Pillar-RH
4468519	10.694	65-69	4	W/strip, W/S Pillar-LH
4468990	10.769	65-67	1	W/strip, Rr. Door Window Frame-RH (4-Door
4475886	11.015	65-69	1	W/strip, Rr. Qtr. Window-RH
4501462	14.060	65-68	2	W/strip, Conv. Top Frt. Roof Rail

4848387	10.454	60-64	1	Hinge, Frt. Door Lwr.-LH
4894883	11.015	60-64	4	Strip, Inner-RH, Outer-LH Glass Run
4894884	11.015	60-64	2	Strip, Inner-LH, Outer-RH Glass Run
5459714	4.665	60-64	1	Cylinder, Wheel Rear-LH
5459715	4.665	60-64	1	Cylinder, Wheel Rear-RH
5465489	4.650	62-66	2	Cylinder, Brake Master
5673101	6.830	60-69	1	Adjuster Assy., Steering Gear Worm Brg.
5673112	6.822	60-69	1	Adjuster Assy., Steering Gear Lash
5673118	6.850	60-69	1	Shaft Assy., Steering Gear Pitman
5673119	6.832	60-69	1	Nut, Steering Gear Worm Brg. Adj.
5673120	6.855	60-69	3	Seal, Steering Gear Pitman Shaft
5674018	6.786	60-69	3	Bushing, Pitman Shaft
5674020	6.807	60-69	1	Cover Assy., Steering Gear Housing
5674988	6.524	60-63	2	Nut, Steering Gear Lwr. (w/ Worm) / 5616400 5616401
5679401	6.809	60-69	1	Gasket, Steering Gear Side Cover
5712743	10.527	60-64	2	Handle, Door Outside Frt. & Rr.-LH
5719641	10.652	65-69	6	W/strip, Frt. Door Vent-LH
5719658	10.688	65-69	2	Channel, Frt. Door Wind. Glass Run Frt.
5719669	10.655	65-67	4	Channel, Frt. Door-LH
5950683	2.589	60-62	2	Lens, Park & Dir. Sig. Lamp
5954775	2.725	61-64	1	Lamp, Head (w/ Park & Dir. Sig.)-LH
5954776	2.725	61-64	1	Lamp, Head (w/ Park & Dir. Sig.)-RH
6255787	6.859	60-64	1	Arm, Pitman
6255799	7.831	60-64	1	Bar, Bumper Frt.
6255800	7.831	60-64	1	Bar, Bumper Rr.
6256165	4.123	60	1	Shaft, Transmission Input
6256853	10.352	61-64	1	Guard, Door Edge-LH
6256854	10.352	61-64	1	Guard, Door Edge-RH
6256937	6.525	60-64	2	Clamp, Steering Gear Shaft / yes!
6256938	6.525	60-64	5	Bolt, Steering Gear Shaft to Gear
6256969	8.147	60	1	Plate, Frt. Fender
6257385	7.828	60-64	4	Guard, Bumper Frt. & Rr.-LH
6257386	7.828	60-64	5	Guard, Bumper Frt. & Rr.-RH
6257515	8.132	60-63	4	Molding, Frt. Fender Otr. Panel Lwr.-LH
6257516	8.132	60-63	1	Molding, Frt. Fender Otr. Panel Lwr.-RH
6276339	12.182	60-63	1	Molding, Luggage Compt. Lid
6277316	12.940	60-64	1	Panel, Rr. Quarter Outer-LH (2-Dr.)
6277653	10.710	60-64	7	Strip, Dr. Glass Run Channel Inr. & Otr.
6282339	12.945	60-64	1	Door, Fuel Tank
6284237	8.130	60-64	1	Fender, Frt.-LH
6292705	2.239	60-69	1	Wire Unit, Spark Plug
7036365	3.725	62-69	1	Carburetor Unit, Primary
7451321	5.855	61-65	14	Bearing, Rr. Wheel (FC)(w/ Removing Ring
7583485	12.269	66-69	1	W/strip, Luggage Compt. Lid
7591000	10.517	60-66	12	Washer, Door Lock Inside Sealing
7632209	10.747	65-67	2	Channel, Rr. Dr. Wind. Lwr. Frt. Sash (LH)(4-Dr.)
7663050	10.701	60-64	4	Channel, Frt. Door Glass Run
7725463	10.721	65-67	2	W/strip, Side Roof Rail-LH (2-Dr.)

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